

Augustana University SiPM Test Stand Update

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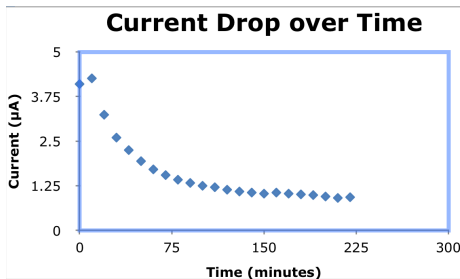
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The Test Stand



- ▶ Old Image of our setup
 - ▶ Dark box with SiPM, Rev C board, LED
 - ▶ Keithley PS and dual-channel PS for preamp.
 - ▶ Consolidated connections inside the dark box.
 - ▶ Output to DRS4 digitizer and into desktop with RCDAQ

Current Draw without LED



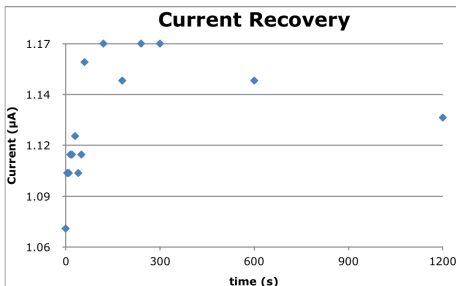
- ▶ Measure current draw on SiPM with power to preamp and bias voltage and NO LED.
- ▶ Current drops over several hours.
- ▶ Clearly some extra capacitance around but we've been unable to identify it.

Current Draw without LED

- Decrease continues to drop 50% over three days.

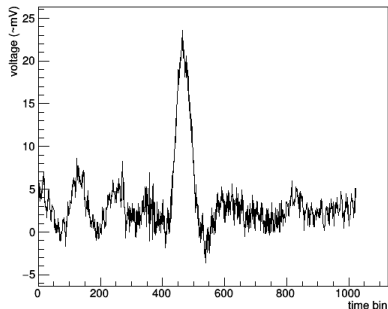
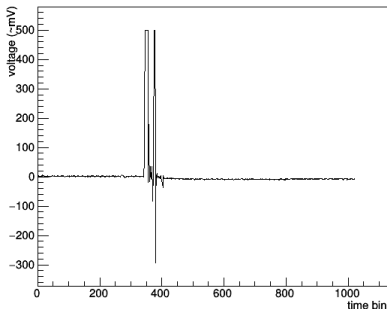
time	current μA
4:35 PM	0.86
10:23 AM	0.51
5:31 PM	0.53
1:36 PM	0.46
1:00 PM	0.49

Current Draw without LED



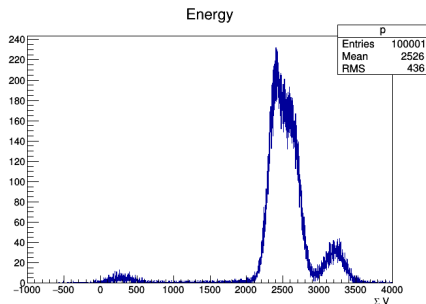
- ▶ Measure the current after bias being off for a given amount of time.
- ▶ Recovery looks different than drop.
- ▶ Poor scientist's solution: just leave it on continually.

Digitizing the Signal



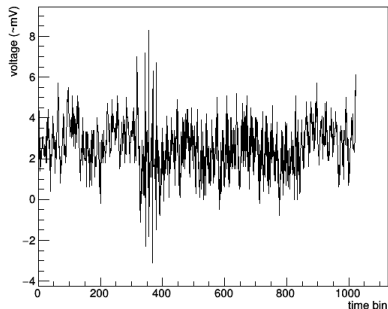
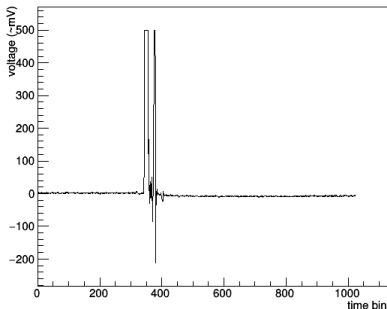
- ▶ Put LED pulser (left) and SiPM output (right) into DSR4 board. Trigger on LED pulser.
- ▶ Turned down LED voltage to as low as possible to separate the LED signals from “background”.

Looking for Photoelectron Peaks



- ▶ Integrated SiPM signals.
 - ▶ Large peak from “background” and peak on right from SiPM.
 - ▶ “Background” from pedestal and noise.

Digitizing the Signal



- ▶ Event with no obvious LED signal
- ▶ ~ 3 mV offset and ~ 2 mV fluctuations.

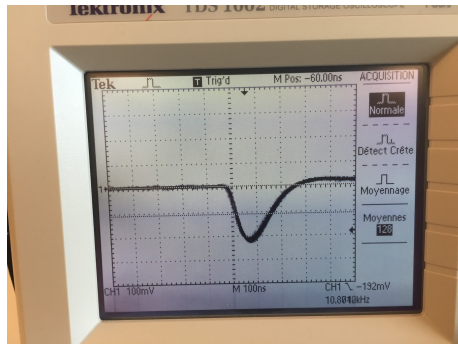
Back-Ups

Introduction

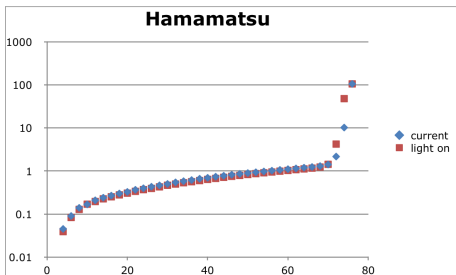
- ▶ Augie's contribution to sPHENIX.
 - ▶ Collaboration has 100k+ SiPMs to test, categorize, etc.
 - ▶ Augie has several resourceful undergraduates.
 - ▶ We can't test them all. But we can certainly help.
- ▶ Augie's good fortune: 2/3 of faculty (DA and NG) working with SiPMs
 - ▶ DarkSide, 3rd generation dark matter search detector also using SiPMs.
 - ▶ Can share costs, equipment, students, etc.
- ▶ Vivian spent over 1 month at UIUC making 2-d projective modules and learning their SiPM test stand setup. Also visited with UMich briefly to coordinate activities.
- ▶ Vivian and Trevor have spent the last several weeks putting together the test stand.

Low Gain LED Signal

- ▶ With LED, signal doesn't look unreasonable.
- ▶ Right now noise is worse – from a $7\ \mu\text{s}$ RF signal.



I-V of Hamamatsu 15 μm SiPM



- ▶ After being on for a while so current settles, measure I-V curve without LED.
- ▶ Doesn't look unreasonable. But didn't double check the suggested operating voltage.